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The Grub-ſtreet Journal.

To be continued Weekly.

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On cold December *fragrant chaplets blow* ;
And heavy harveſts nod beneath the ſnow. Dunciad B. I.

The ODE *for the* New Year,

Which was Vocally and Inſtrumentally performed before their Majeſties on the 1ſt Inſtant; and printed in ſeveral News-Papers.

RECITATIVO.

ANUS! the ſhining Round ſurvey,
Where all is pompous, all is gay.
[1] Hence far dull Cares with duller Spleen are flown.
O! joyous Thou thy ſelf appear,
To [2] welcome in the new-born Year;
And in thy younger Face a Look of Smiles put on.

AIR.

Happy, happy, *Britiſh* Climes,
Fruitful of *Saturnian* Times!
How [3] fair ariſe their ſhady Woods!
How [4] ſmoothly flow their Silver Floods!
Crown'd with *Ceres* laughs each Field,
And [5] verdant Viſtos Meadows yield!

RECITATIVO

But what are Charms of Woods, or Fields, or Meads,
To thoſe more heav'nly Charms that Freedom ſpreads?
From Freedom all our Taſtes of Pleaſure ſpring;
And the rich Source of Freedom is the King.

AIR.

Sweet are the Jes'min's breathing Flow'rs;
Sweet the ſoft-falling vernal Show'rs;
And ſweet the Glooms the Grove affords;
And ſweet the Notes of warbling Birds:
But not the [6] Groves, nor Rains, nor Flow'rs,
Nor all the feather'd Songſter's Pow'rs,
Can ever ſweet or pleaſing be,
O! lovely Freedom, without Thee.

RECITATIVO.

No wonder that ſo oft *Britannia* fought,
Thy Bleſſings, Goddeſs, to attain;
No wonder Thee ſo oft the fearleſs fought,
Thro' Seas of Blood and Hills of Slain.

AIR.

But let the Seeds of Peace,
Still more and more encreaſe:
Let Truth with Virtue meet;
And Mercy Juſtice greet:
Let Friendſhip reign with Love,
As joyn'd they reign above.

RECITATIVO.

With Harmony begin the Year;
Such as may ſooth the niceſt Ear:
Such as the Royal Race may deign to hear.

CHORUS.

As Harmony the Day begun,
[8] *Sing on, ſing on, till Day is done;*
And then [9] *ſing on ſtill to a ſecond Sun.*

Various readings in *Lond. Jour. Jan.* 10.

1 Whence. 2 Hail the new-born peaceful. 3 Thick riſe. 4 Smooth flow. 5 Green Viſtos. 6 Grove. 7 CHORUS. 8 Play on, play on. 9 Play on.

It preſages no ſmall happineſs to our Society, to have the New Year opened, before the moſt auguſt Aſſembly, with this incomparable Ode, compoſed by one of our worthy Members. To ſhew all its Beauties would require Remarks extended to as great a length, as the longeſt of Monſieur *Dacier's* upon any Ode of *Horace*. But being confined to a narrow compaſs, I ſhall only point out ſome of the principal Graces, and muſt leave the reſt to the obſervation of others. The whole firſt Stanza is very fine, *Where*, to uſe the Author's own Words, *all is pompous, all is gay*: but the laſt Verſe of it is ſo particularly beautiful, that tho' one change the order of the Words, and endeavour to reduce them to the proſaic ſtyle, yet they ſhine with equal luſtre as in the Verſe it ſelf:

And put on in *thy younger Face* a look of Smiles.

When this was read in the Society, Mr. *Poppy* could not forbear breaking out into this poetic Rapture,

For this, great Bard, thou ought'ſt to wear the Crown,
And in *thy learned Brows a wreath of Bays* put on.

The Critics obſerve concerning Lyrick Poetry, That it is a looſe and free way of writing, which ſeems to deſpiſe all ſort of Method; that it affects Tranſitions Excurſions, and Digreſſions, which appear to be made with no Art at all; that it neglects the connection of Sentences, and is much pleaſed with frequent Exclamations. Theſe Rules are all exemplified in this Ode: and accordingly the 2d Stanza begins, *Happy, happy, Britiſh climes!* which has no manner of dependance upon the fore-going, but might as well have been placed before it. The excurſion to *ſhady Woods* and *ſilver Floods*, &c. is admirable at this time of the Year; as will more fully appear from the Remarks upon the 4th Stanza.

The Sence of the 11th Verſe is ſomewhat dubious,

Crown'd with Ceres *laughs each Field.*

Where *Ceres* may be taken either metonymically for Corn, or for the Goddeſs of Corn, as if each Field had been *crown'd* with her Hand. Both theſe Sences are very good: but if the latter be taken, we ought rather to read *Crown'd* by *Ceres*.

A trifling Objection has been raiſed againſt the next Verſe upon the Word *Viſto*, which is generally taken to mean a View or Proſpect between Trees: and therefore it was matter of wonder, how *verdant Meadows* could *yield Viſtos*. But the learned Lexicographer N. *Bailey* Φιλολογος, under the Word *Viſto*, ſays only, *Viſto, a Proſpect Italian.*

In the next Stanza the excurſion about *Shady Woods, &c.* is brought home to the purpoſe; and a compariſon drawn between the *Charms* of ſylvan ſcenes, and *the Charms of Freedom*, which are made infinitely ſuperior to the former.

But what are charms of Woods, or Fields, or Meads,
To thoſe more heav'nly Charms *that Freedom ſpreads!*

The Charms of Woods, &c are here allowed to be *heav'nly*; but the *charms* of *Freedom* are *more heav'nly*: and theſe *more heav'nly charms* are in a very poetical manner ſaid to be *ſpred* by *Freedom*.

The 4th Stanza, which is a return to the ſylvan Scene deſcribed in the 2d, is likewiſe an admirable imitation of that fine Speech of Adam to Eve in the 4th Book of *Paradiſe Loſt*.

Sweet is *the breath of Morn, her riſing* ſweet,
With charm of earlieſt Birds; &c.

The Lyric Poet has indeed taken ſome of his Images from hence: But then he has cloathed them in a different poetical dreſs, and thereby made them his own. *Fragrant the fertil Earth after ſoft Showers*, is changed into *ſoft-falling vernal Show'rs*; and the *charm of earlieſt Birds*, into *Notes of warbling Birds*, and *feather'd Sorgſters pow'rs*. And tho' the air and turn of the thought are the ſame in both Poems; yet the long-winded Epic is here happily contracted into the Lyric ſtrain. But in one reſpect the Epic Poet is infinitely out-done by the Lyric. For the former puts theſe words into the mouth of Adam, when he was retiring to his Bower with Eve; who, as well as himſelf, had ſeveral of the objects then preſent to her Senſes, and perhaps had obſerved them all that very Day. To ſpeak of ſuch things therefore was very obvious; and no more a proof of a Genius, than to talk of the goodneſs or badneſs of the Weather; which is generally done, when Perſons are at a loſs for diſcourſe. But our incomparable Lyric, in the very depth of Winter, when we are all ſhivering with Cold, by a repreſentation very *ſeaſonable* on that account, entertains us with the united charms of Spring, Summer, and Autumn. As there is a great affinity betwixt Poetry and Painting, this gives us a ſenſible pleaſure, not unlike that which we ſhould take in viewing in the coldeſt weather ſome fine Landskip, in which the delights of the Country in the vernal, ſummer, or autumnal Seaſons, are repreſented by an artful Hand. A Poet of a more timorous Genius would have taken great pains to have introduced the Seaſons in their natural order, or juſt touched upon the pleaſures of each. But our Author has no ſooner mounted his Pegaſus, but in deſpite of bad ways and weather, rides immediately into the Country, where he meets with *ſhady Woods, ſilver Floods, breathing Flowers, vernal Showers, &c.*

And if a Gardener, who by artificial heat produces Fruits or Flowers out of Seaſon, is admired as an extraordinary Artiſt; by parity of Reaſon, is not that Poet worthy of our Admiration, who from the ſole heat of his Fancy preſents us with æſtival *Flowers* upon New Years Day?

And as this laſt Stanza is imitated from *John Milton*: ſo the laſt *Air* is a fine imitation of that celebrated Lyric Poet *John Hopkins*; who in his Verſion of Pſ. LXXXV. 10. has theſe beautiful Lines:

For truth *and* mercy *there ſhall* meet,
in one to take their place:
And peace *ſhall* juſtice *with kiſs* greet;
and there they ſhall embrace.

But as according to the Proverb, *All is well that ends well*, our Author, like other artful Writers, has reſerved his fineſt thoughts and numbers for the *Chorus*, in order to ſtrike the Imagination, and leave a laſting impreſſion upon the Audience. This is ſo inconceivably good, that I ſhall not pretend to add any Remark, which would rather obſcure, than illuſtrate it. I ſhall therefore only join in Chorus with him, and *ſing*:

As Harmony the day begun,
Sing on, ſing on, till day is done;
And then *ſing on* ſtill to a ſecond Sun.

BAVIUS.

LONDON, *January* 15.

Thurſday, Jan. 8.

The Commiſſion appointing George Forbes, Eſq; (commonly called Lord Forbes) to be Captain General and Governor in chief in and over the Leeward or Charibee Iſlands in America, is preparing to paſs the Seals. *Courant.*

A Commiſſion is ordered to paſs the Seals for conſtituting the Hon. Joſeph Sabine of Tring in Hertfordſhire, Eſq; Lieutenant General of his Majeſties Forces, Governor of Berwick, and the Holy Iſland, and Colonel of the Welch Fuziliers, to be Governor of Gibraltar, in the room of the Right Hon. the Earl of Portmore lately deceaſed. *Morning Poſt.*

Friday, Jan. 9.

His Excellency the Marquis d' Aix, Envoy extraordinary from the King of Sardinia, having had his Audience of leave of their Majeſties and the reſt of the Royal Family, will ſet out this day on his return home. He is ſucceeded in the Character of Envoy extraordinary from his Sardinian Majeſty, by the Chevalier *Oſſorio*. *Courant.*

We hear his Excellency hath taken the Houſe in Lincoln's-Inn Fields, where his Predeceſſor reſided, to which there belongs a better and more commodious Chappel, than to any other Envoy of the Roman Catholick Communion. *Daily Poſt.*

On Tueſday Night laſt, ſeveral Perſons were robbed going into St. George's Fields: One Woman in particular was robbed and thrown down into a Ditch; but ſhe crying out, ſeveral People came out of their Houſes with Lights, and took her out almoſt periſhed with cold. Two of the Villains had on red great Coats, and the other had on a light Drab Coat. *Courant.*

Yeſterday at the Eaſt India Sale, about 100 lb. weight of Aquila Wood was put up at 10 *s.* and ſold to Mr. John Hayward, an eminent Druggiſt, for 120 *l.* It was lately brought from India by Governor Adams; and is a kind of Gum, eſteemed the richeſt Perfume in the World, and is found on an Iſland near China; in which Empire, for its delicate ſcent and ſcarcity, it is much prized by the Ladies, who generally have a ſmall piece of it tied to their Fans. *Daily Journal.*

As one of our Members was reading the foregoing Article in a Coffee-houſe; a Stranger to him obſerved, that it was improper to call a Wood *a* Gum; *and added, that this* Aquila Wood *was called alſo* Agallochum *and* Lignum Aloes; *and that it was frequently mentioned in the ſacred Writings; and was alſo an Ingredient in the* Venice Treacle.

Saturday, Jan. 10.

We hear that a Comedy, called *The Wife of Bath*, written by Mr. GAY, having been reviſed and altered by him, is now in Rehearſal at the Theatre Royal in Lincoln's-Inn Fields, and will be acted in a few Days. *Daily Journal.*

Laſt Week a young Couple were married at Dover. The Bride ſeemed, during the Ceremony, to be under ſome extraordinary uneaſineſs; and after the ſame was over, and ſhe returned to her own Houſe, ſhe was brought to bed of a Girl: So the Bride-men and Bride-maids ſtood Godfather and Godmother; and the Curate earned double Fees from very unexpected occaſions. *Ibid.*

The Humours of Oxford, which we informed our Readers laſt Week from the *Weekly Medley*, had been rehearſed with *great Applauſe*, to *a very ſmall Audience*; was acted laſt Night, with *no Applauſe at all*, before a *great Audience.*

Laſt Monday a Woman was found dead in a Coach-houſe, among old Lumber, the back-ſide of Church-lane, St. Giles's. *Applebee.*

The learned Dr. Zoilus *thinks that there is an omiſſion of the Copyiſt in this Place; and that we ought to read* among OTHER old Lumber.

Yeſterday at the Seſſions held for the City and Liberty of Weſtminſter, a Bill of Indictment was found by the Grand Jury, againſt one Winch, a Conſtable, near St. James's Church, for aſſaulting another Conſtable in the execution of his Office. *Evening Poſt, St. James's, and London Evening.*

Another Bill of Indictment was found againſt one Buckley, a Chairman, for aſſaulting and wounding two ſeveral Perſons in the Streets with a Hanger. And two other Bills againſt two Women Offenders, Eaton and Harvey, for keeping diſorderly Houſes,, the one in Shug lane, and the other in Sherard-ſtreet. *St. James's*, and *London Evening.*

Laſt Thurſday Night between ten and eleven o' Clock, a Gentleman took a Hackney Coach at Temple-bar, in order to go to the General Poſt-Office in Lombard-ſtreet; and when he came into Fleet-ſtreet, over againſt St. Dunſtan's Church, the Coach was ſtopped by two Footpads, who pulled him out of the Coach; and one of the Villains knocked him down with a Bludgeon, and the other began to rifle him: But a Watchman coming up to his aſſiſtance, they made off without compleating their deſign. *Evening Poſt*, and *St. James's Evening.*

This Morning between one and two o' Clock, the Linnen Draper's Shop in Middle Moor-Fields was robbed of Linnen to the Value of more than 30 *l.* The Rogues got in by cutting a hole in the Shutter (which was bloody) juſt big enough to put in a Hand, and drew out the Pin. The Man of the Houſe had ſome time heard a noiſe, which he believed to have been at the next Door, which is the Saſh Ale houſe, where they were brewing: But at length hearing ſomething fall in the Shop, he got out of Bed; the Rogues however were made off with their Booty before he could get down. *Whitehall Evening.*

This Day ſeveral Felons were brought to Newgate, from other Goals, in order to be try'd at the enſuing Seſſions at the Old Bailey. There are already above a hundred and twenty Felons, in the ſaid Goal, beſides a

great many more expected from other Goals, to be try'd at the ſaid Seſſions. *Ibid.*

A Project is on foot, countenanced by many Members of Parliament and others, for eſtabliſhing a Court of Conſcience in Weſtminſter Hall, for the Benefit of the poor of the ſaid City and Liberty, and County of Middleſex. *London Evening.*

I am of opinion, that a Court of Conſcience in Weſtminſter-hall *will be a great* Benefit *to the whole Nation.*

Monday, Jan. 12.

On Friday laſt the Lady of the Right Hon. the Lord Malpas was brought to bed of a Son. *Daily Courant.*

Several reputed Street Robbers were taken laſt Saturday Night, and confined in the Round-Houſe belonging to St. Martin's in the Fields in order to be examined as laſt Night, or this Morning: we hear, that one of the Gang who had been taken before, had impeached his Confederates. *Ibid.*

On Saturday laſt, three Men were ſecured in St. Martin's Round-houſe, for going into ſeveral Goldſmiths Shops under pretence of buying Gold Rings, and changing them for ſome Rings, which they had in their Pockets, made of a baſe Metal; and one of them impeaching many more, who follow the like Practice, as alſo Street-robbing and the Highway, two others were taken yeſterday, and ſecured in the ſaid Round-houſe, in order to be carried before a Bench of Juſtices this Day, to be examined: and there is great hopes of taking many more of the ſaid Gang this Day. *Poſt Boy.*

On Saturday laſt one Dowdle, *alias* Hayes, an Iriſhman, was apprehended near Charing-Croſs, for going into a Goldſmith's Shop, under pretence of buying a Ring: the Man of the Shop ſhewed him ſeveral, but he made trifling Excuſes that he did not like them, and ſo went off with two Gold Rings, leaving two Braſs ones in their ſtead; he was purſued and carried to St. Martin's Round-houſe, where he has impeached ſeveral of his Accomplices, who by his Information are ſince taken, and this day they are to be carried before Juſtice Bourke, when he will make a full diſcovery of the Gang. *Daily Poſt.*

Yeſterday ſeveral Street Robbers were taken, and being examined before a Juſtice of Peace, they we hear have given Information againſt the reſt of their Gang, after which they were carried to St. Martin's Round-houſe, to be confined till this day for a farther Examination. *Morning Poſt.*

One day laſt Week, Sarah Townſhend, who ſometime ago was committed to the New Goal in Southwark, for Felony, was delivered of a Child, which ſhe threw into a tub of Water, and ſtifled it; after which ſhe threw it into the Neceſſary-houſe: which being found, the Coroner's Inqueſt has ſat on the Body, and brought in their Verdict Wilful Murder. *Courant.*

This day at Noon there will be held a General Council at St. James's. *Ibid.*

This day at one o' Clock at Noon, will be held a Cabinet Council at St. James's; and in the after-noon at 3 a general one. *Poſt Boy.*

To-morrow both Houſes of Parliament are to meet at Weſtminſter, purſuant to his Majeſty's Proclamation; when his Majeſty will go to the Houſe of Peers, and make a Speech to both Houſes of Parliament. It was generally thought yeſterday, that the Parliament would be prorogued or adjourned for ſome time. *Ibid.*

The following are to take their Places in the Houſe of Peers this Seſſion of Parliament, ſome by the deaths of their Fathers and other Relations, ſome by being of Age, and others by Parent, *&c. viz.* William Duke of Devonſhire; Wriotheſly, Duke of Bedford; Peregrine, Duke of Leeds; Daniel, Earl of Winchelſea and Nottingham; Sackville, Earl of Thanet; Charles, Earl of Sunderland; Other, Earl of Plymouth; Baptiſt, Earl of Gainsborough; Henry, Earl of Ferrers; James, Earl of Waldegrave; Francis, Lord Guildford; William, Lord Harrington; Dr. Robert Clavering, as Biſhop of Peterborough; and Dr. John Harris, as Biſhop of Landaff. *Daily Poſt.*

The Rev. Mr. Archdeacon Bridekoae is to preach before the Sons of the Clergy at St. Paul's, on Thurſday the 5th of February next, the day appointed for their Feaſt; and we hear the Church Muſick is to be Mr. Green's *Te Deum*, Purcell's *Jubilate*, and a new Anthem compoſed by Mr. Green. *Poſt Boy.*

Mrs. Maria Warren, who, upon the elevation of the famous Miſs Fenton, perform'd the part of Polly Peachum in the Beggar's Opera, and was afterwards married to Mr. Nichols, a young Gentleman of an ample Fortune, but under Age, died a few Days ſince in the Country. *Daily Poſt.*

On Saturday laſt, Mr. Joſhua Gee, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of Hamilton, preſented to his Majeſty the Copy of a Book, entitled *The Trade and Navigation of* Great Britain *conſidered*, &c. which his Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly: after which he preſented a like Copy to her Majeſty, being introduced by the Right Hon. the Earl of Grantham, her Majeſty's Lord Chamberlain; as alſo a like Copy to his Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales; and her Majeſty and his Royal Highneſs were both pleaſed to receive them very graciouſly. *Ibid.* and *Daily Journal.*

Tueſday, Jan. 13.

His Majeſty came this day to the Houſe of Peers, and being in his Royal Robes, ſeated on the Throne with the uſual Solemnity, Sir Charles Dalton, Gentleman Uſher of the Black Rod, was ſent with a Meſſage from his Majeſty to the Houſe of Commons, commanding their attendance in the Houſe of Peers; the Commons being come thither accordingly, his Majeſty was pleaſed to make the following moſt gracious Speech. *Gazette.*

Laſt Week as a Servant Maid was ſitting aſleep by the Kitchen Fire at Col. Cathcarts in great Queen-ſtreet, Weſtminſter, her Petticoats took fire; and before they could be extinguiſhed, burnt her in a *lamentable* manner: but ſhe is like to recover. *Evening Poſt.*

Wedneſday, Jan. 14.

Yeſterday about 11 o' Clock, the Corpſe of the late Earl of Portmore was carried from his dwelling Houſe in St. James's Square, with great funeral Solemnity, being preceded by a number of Gentlemen on Horſeback with their Arms reverſed, a led Horſe with Eſcutcheons *&c.* and a great number of mourning Coaches: the whole Cavalcade, which extended from St. James's Palace to the end of St James's-ſtreet, proceeded in very good order to Weybridge in Surrey, the Place of Interment. *Morning Poſt.*

FOREIGN-NEWS.

Thurſday, Jan. 8.

Zurick, Jan. 4. N.S. Private Letters from Paris adviſe, that the Court of France is at laſt determined to renew the Alliance with the Proteſtant Cantons, and to make them advantageous Propoſals for that end. *Daily Courant.*

Brazil, Jan. 4. 'Tis generally believed here, that the French Ambaſſador at Soluthern will not make any farther Propoſal for renewing the Alliance between the King his Maſter, and the 13 Cantons; but rather wait to ſee, whether the Cantons will not make ſome overtures towards it of their own accord. *Ibid.*

Bruſſel, Jan. 5. The Chevalier de la Merveille, Colonel in the Emperor's Service, who was ſent for to Vienna, and was upon the point of ſetting out for that place, in order to be employed by his Imperial Majeſty in the naval Affairs at Trieſte, or elſe-where, was laſt Week arreſted by his Creditors; which would not have happened, if he could have got his Accounts paſſed, and his Money paid him. That Gentleman made the firſt Settlement for the Emperor at Coblon; and was rewarded for the ſame with a Colonel's Commiſſion by Land and Sea. *Ibid.*

Frankfort, Jan. 4. An Imperial Reſcript has been diſpatched to the Circles of the Upper Rhine, requiring them, that the Recruits, raiſed here and there in the Empire, be from time to time ſent to the Frontiers of thoſe Circles, to the end they might be in readineſs, if need be, to march to Italy, or the Netherlands. *Daily Journal*, and *Morning Poſt.*

Amſterdam, Jan. 6. The Letters from Bruſſels mention, that Colonel Chartres was come back thither, and endeavoured to find out a Perſon he had with him during his firſt ſtay there; whom he accuſes to have robbed him of a Bill for above 300 *l.* Sterling, having put into his Box a forged Bill of Exchange, which the Colonel did not find out, till he went to receive the contents from the Banker, where he found that the Money had been already paid, upon the Bill which was ſtolen from him. *Morning Poſt.*

Friday, Jan. 9.

Yeſterday arrived the Mail due from France.

Paris, Jan. 14. N. S. Two Men of War of 60 Guns each are building at Breſt. *Daily Courant.*

By the Lottery of the Town-houſe of Paris, drawn the 9th inſt. to the amount of 1,278,450 Livres, 9 Sols, 5 q. it is computed there is to the value of 270 000 Livres a year ſaved to the Government. *Ibid*

The reform of the Troops, which was ſome time ago talked of, is again poſtponed; and 'tis even reported, that Orders will be given for recruiting them. *Morning Poſt.*

Saturday, Jan. 10.

Yeſterday arrived the Mail due from Holland.

Vienna, Jan. 4. N. S. It is reported, that the D. de Ripperda has found means to reconcile himſelf to their Catholick Majeſties; and that he will ſpeedily return to Madrid. *Courant*, and *Poſt Boy.*

Francfort, Jan. 11. According to ſome Advices, the Princes of the Empire will furniſh the Emperor with 50 000 Men in caſe of need. *Ibid.*

Hague, Jan. 13. 'The news of the Czar of Muſcovy's marriage to 'the Princeſs Dolgorucki, is very diſagreeable to ſeveral Courts of Germany; 'but more eſpecially to one, where they ſeem'd to lay no little ſtreſs upon 'an Alliance of that ſort.

'The Printer of the Utrecht Gazette in French, having incurred the diſ-'pleaſure of his Superiors, is forbid to put out any more Papers during a 'certain term, according to the methods uſually practiſed in this County.--- 'For tho' this be famous for a land of Liberty; yet there is ſuch a manifeſt 'difference made amongſt us between Liberty and Licentiouſneſs, that he 'that runs may read. And if a Man is in jeopardy here now and then for 'writing in plain contradiction to the reſpect due to Magiſtrates; he is 'much more ſo, that obſerves not the Decorum paid to crown'd Heads; 'and more yet, the Wretch that dares to attack, by word of mouth, or by 'writing, the fundamentals of the Chriſtian Religion.

'Upon the laſt Expreſs that arrived at Hanover from London, a Courier 'was immediately diſpatched to Caſſel; and Gen. Bulow, who commands 'the Troops of the Electorate of Hanover, made a new diſpoſition of 'them. The Officers are moreover ordered to augment their Companies; 'and there is much talk of raiſing new ones. Theſe are Steps, which 'ſeem not to preſage the continuation of the Peace, by accommodating 'matters between the Courts of Hanover and Berlin. *Poſt Boy.*

Jan. 17. The Eyes of all Europe are turned towards Italy, upon the proſpect of an approaching War in that Country. For it is apparent, that the Princes and States thereof are generally againſt the ſettlement of Don Carlos amongſt them, for the preſent at leaſt; and that the Emperor ſeems to be of the ſame opinion, having ordered three Regiments of Foot, five of Cuiraſſiers, and four of Dragoons, to begin their march thither. *Ibid.*

Hanover, Jan. 10. Several Foreigners of diſtinction are arrived here to partake of the Diverſions of the Carnival, which on the 6th inſt. was opened at the Town-houſe, where there will conſtantly be a Ridotto every Monday and Thurſday. On Sundays a French Play will be acted at the Palace; where there will be a Concert, and an Aſſembly every Wedneſday; and a German Play on Tueſdays and Fridays. *Daily Poſt.*

Paris, Jan. 9. It is adviſed from Lisbon, that the Portugueze have diſcovered in Brazil, not far from the River Janiero, a Mine that abounds with Diamonds. *Ibid.*

Bruſſels, Jan. 12. The late Earl of Mar arrived here on the 8th, and ſet out Yeſterday for Antwerp. *Ibid.*

The uneaſineſs at the future landing of Don Carlos's Troops in Italy, is ſo great in thoſe parts, that even the King of Sardinia, tho' at a pretty great diſtance from the places contended for, is endeavouring all he can to prevent it; and for that purpoſe has made ſeveral propoſals to the Imperial Court. *Weekley Medley.*

Paris, Jan. 14. On the 8th, the Abbot de Verthamon de Chavagnac, lately nominated to the Biſhoprick of Montauban, was conſecrated by the Arch-biſhop of Paris, *&c.* *Whitehall Evening.*

Monday, January 4.

Yeſterday arrived the Mails due from Flanders.

Dreſden, Jan. 8. N. S. On the 5th the King of Poland, our Elector returned hither from Leipſick. We are aſſured, that at the inſtances of the Poliſh Grandees, his Majeſty has taken the reſolution to iſſue Writs for the meeting of the General Dyet of the Kingdom about Eaſter. *Daily Courant.*

Ratisbon, Jan. 9. Some days ago the B. of Kempſtree's Brother was married at a place not far from this City: moſt of the company who were entertained on that occaſion, fell ſick preſently after, and the Biſhop, the Bridegroom, and five other Gentlemen are ſince dead. This makes it ſuſpected, that the Wine was poiſoned, or ſome ſuch villany; and this affair is ordered to be ſtrictly inquired into. *Ibid.*

Francfort, Jan. 11. A Society of Merchants at Milan have preſented to the Emperor, a Project for digging a Canal, to draw off the Waters of the Adige, and render it navigable as far as Oſtiglia; by which Goods may be conveyed to Trieſte by water. *Ibid.*

Vienna, Jan. 4. Our Letters from the frontiers unanimouſly agree, that the Turks puſh on their military Preparations with all poſſible diligence. On Friday a fire broke out at Presburg, but was prevented from ſpreading, by pulling down two Houſes. *Poſt Boy.*

The *Daily Poſt*, and *Daily Journal* ſay, that a great part of the City of Presbourg was reduced to Aſhes.

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